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For IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, )  
IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, AND ) **Mail Stop AF**  
IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS )

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 3, 2004, the period of response to which extends through September 3, 2004, entry of this request is respectfully submitted to place the application and clear condition for allowance, or at least in better condition for appeal. Please reconsider the above identified application in view of the following comments.